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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Villa will be run to earth when he is turned up.

Fire destroyed \$500,000 worth of cotton at Houston, Sunday.

A boiler in a grist mill at Pikeville blew up Saturday, killing five men.

The Princeton council refused to accept the resignation of Mayor R. W. Lisanby, recently tendered.

It is understood that Haldeman and Woodson will fight out the national committeeman contest before the next State Convention.

The Henderson High School basketball team won the interstate trophy at Athens, O., doing credit to themselves and the city from which they hail.

Fear is felt of other raids along the Mexican border. If so, the Greasers will find soldiers ready to pursue without having to wait a week to unroll a lot of red tape.

Secretary McAdoo and party are now in Rio Janeiro, Brazil and were formally received by President Wenceslao Braz, Sunday. In South America, all days look alike.

Two Americans named Armitage and Pennell lost their lives in the Sussex explosion. Affidavits of survivors say the ship was torpedoed without warning, but was towed in to port.

Miss Julia Tutwiler, aged 75, a well known educator of Birmingham, died Friday and her body was taken to Cincinnati to be cremated, after which her ashes will be buried at Havana, Ala.

The paper upon which newspapers are printed is advancing every month and will soon be out of sight. Newspapers are losing money on subscriptions and the penny papers especially are hit hard.

Six persons lost their lives in the burning of the Country Club house at San Antonio, Tex. Two of the victims, a man and a woman, had escaped, but went back into the building to rescue another man.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Wyly, formerly of this city, were among the fire sufferers at Augusta, Ga., last week. They lost their home and its contents. At Paris, Texas, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Kendall were burned out and were heavy losers.

A new kind of Monroe Doctrine has come to light in Hardin county. Miss Ella Monroe is in jail charged with ambushing and assassinating Miss Eva Gregory, because both girls were in love with the same young man, Clarence Quiggins, of Abingdon, Ill.

Christian county's Road Bond issue that was voted upon Saturday, carried by an overwhelming majority. Any man who is now against bond issuing, with State Aid given, is either a drone and a detriment to the community, or else is woefully ignorant as to his own advantages.—Dawson Tribune.

Editor J. R. Lemon, of the Mayfield Messenger, is being boomed for district delegate to the St. Louis convention. It would be better if every district would leave its politicians and office-holders at home and select delegates from the "boys in the trenches." The First district should see that Lemon gets in without a tight squeeze.

The first installment of "The Strange Case of Mary Page" appeared Saturday and succeeding weekly installments will appear every Saturday in the Kentuckian. New subscribers will be supplied with the opening chapters free of charge, bringing the story up to the time they start. The story will be shown at the Rex Theatre, following closely the publications in the Kentuckian, beginning to-morrow.

TROOPS ARE
ON VILLA'S
HOT TRAIL

Col. Dodd Leading Pursuit
250 Miles Into Interior
of Mexico.

SLIPS THROUGH THE NET
Details of Operations Which
Culminated in Villa's
Escape.

Del Rio, Texas, March 26.—Increased uneasiness was felt in this section when it was learned that nearly 1,000 Mexican soldiers have congregated at a dozen places within thirty miles of the border. In Las Vacas, opposite here, it was claimed the troops are Carranzistas.

Three hundred soldiers of the Twenty-fourth infantry arrived here today for a permanent patrol.

Francisco Villa has escaped from the Mexican troops that had checked him near Namiquipa, and three columns of American cavalry are pursuing him. Already they are almost 250 miles south of the border and unless the elusive bandit is brought to another stand this distance will be greatly increased by the close of the week.

Villa's success in extricating himself from the dangerous position into which he had been driven by the American punitive force was related in a detailed report of Gen. Pershing that reached Gen. Funston today. Gen. Funston forwarded the report to Washington without making public any but the essential features.

Col. Dodd is commanding the advance columns that are riding hard after Villa and his men and Gen. Pershing has divided his forces so as to provide supporting columns along the thinly stretched lines of communications from his most advanced base at El Valle. From El Valle another line is being maintained back to Casas Grandes, directing the work of holding together his forces and directing so far as possible the operations of Col. Dodd. Cavalry is being used along the lines of communication with El Valle, where a detachment of infantry is stationed.

Three aeroplanes are at El Valle and will be used in scouting as soon as the high winds that have been sweeping that part of Mexico for almost a week subside, and which, according to Gen. Pershing, have made effective assistance by them impossible.

Of the eight machines that went into Mexico, two are still out of commission. They were damaged in the flights from Columbus to Casas Grandes.

TWO DEATHS
AT W. S. HOSPITAL

One Patient From Graves
County and Other From
Marshall.

George Schmidt, of Graves county, a native of Germany, died at the Western State Hospital last Thursday of cancer of the liver, aged 59 years. He was received at the institution 27 years ago.

Mrs. Maria Dunn, of Marshall county, died on the 23rd inst., of general paralysis of the insane, aged 59 years. She had been here about nine years.

Both of the bodies were interred in the hospital burying ground.

PEACHES NOT HURT.

Peach trees are now in bloom and there will be plenty of them unless they are killed in the future. Plums and other early fruits are also safe so far.

TWO COURTS
AT ONCE

Circuit Court in a Double
Header Yesterday Was
Busy.

JUDGE REED OF PADUCAH

Trial of the Negroes Who
Are Charged With As-
saulting Luke Bagby.

Circuit Court was busy yesterday with two courts going on at once.

In the absence of Judge Hanbery there were three special judges on duty the latter part of the week, hearing such cases as they were not interested in as attorneys. They were Judges C. H. Bush, T. P. Cook and John Feland. The latter was hearing the civil case of Mary Berry vs. Lewis Berry Saturday and did not finish. He adjourned to the county court room and the trial went ahead with Judge Feland presiding.

Judge W. M. Reed, of Paducah, a regular judge detailed to special duty arrived yesterday and resumed the commonwealth's cases in the circuit court room.

The three negroes charged with a murderous attack on Luke Bagby at Noah's Spring were put on trial. They are Frank Rives, Top White and Will White. The case was getting under way yesterday afternoon.

Other cases tried since last report were:

Dock Beaumont, housebreaking, given a year and a month.

Will Nance, cutting with intent to kill, 6 months in jail and fined \$50.

Jack West, murder, given life sentence.

GOOD NEWS
FOR YOUNGSTERS

Commissioners Will Re-open
Edgewater Park For
Bathing and Boating.

Petitions for the reopening of Edgewater Park for the summer were circulated in the city last week and signed by several hundred people.

In the city schools hundreds of signatures were obtained and many business men joined in the request. Commissioner Bassett is authority for the positive statement that the Park will be reopened and again maintained as a bathing and boating resort. The bathhouses erected in 1914 when the Park was first opened and the civic improvements on the river undertaken, have been removed and it will be necessary to replace them. Further than this, it will only be necessary to close the floodgate in the dam at Second street, which has been left open for two years.

The young people especially are much interested in the reopening of the Park, which was for two seasons a source of so much pleasure.

HOPSON OPENING GALA DAY.

The opening at Mr. R. C. Hopson's new grocery on Seventh street Saturday was largely attended. Heinz's man, the Reception Coffee man and the National Biscuit Co. man were present and demonstrated their lines. Several hundred cups of coffee were dispensed free.

CAPT. CAMPBELL VERY LOW.

Capt. Ned Campbell, of Henderson, is critically ill with pneumonia, with but little hope of recovery. His son, G. L. Campbell, of this city, went to Henderson Sunday and is with him. Capt. Campbell is about 75 years of age.

The Duke of Devonshire is one of the best judges of green crops in England.

GRANDPAPA
ONCE MORE

President Has Another Grand-
daughter in Sayre
Family.

Philadelphia, March 27.—A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Bowes Sayre here yesterday. She is the second grand-daughter of President Wilson and will be named Eleanor Axson Sayre, for Mrs. Sayre's mother. Mother and child were reported to be doing well.

Mrs. Sayre has been in this city visiting her aunt, Mrs. A. W. Howe, a sister of the president, for several weeks. The President wired his congratulations.

NEGROES SKIP
WITH CHEESE

Skippers Arrested Later by
Detectives After Hard
Chase.

A deal in cheese cost the liberty of two negroes, Henry Manson, Hopkinsville, Ky., and Robert Freeman, Indianapolis. The two negroes were trying to dispose of a fifty-pound drum of cheese to a groceryman at Water street and Third avenue when arrested. They said they found the cheese on the river levee but the arresting detectives, Henke, Shrode and Tidrington, say they stole it.—Evansville Courier.

ORDER OF OWLS
MEETS TONIGHT

Meeting Promises to be Most
Interesting One—Class
Initiation.

The order of Owls initiated a class of twenty-five last Tuesday night and another class of twenty-five or thirty will be initiated tonight. Tonight's meeting promises to be an unusually interesting one and all members are urged to be present on the occasion.

ALL POINT TO CHRISTIAN

Christian county has recently voted \$400,000 for good roads. After April 1 the papers of the state will be mentioning the fact that Union county has joined the "progressives" by voting \$450,000 for road purposes. In no county in the state where there has been held an election for the purpose of issuing bonds has the measure been defeated. How sad it would be if Union county, the noblest of them all, should prove to be the exception and turn down the bonds, thereby preventing the building of good roads! But why contemplate the impossible?—Uniontown Telegram.

WILSON RAN AHEAD.

The vote of the recent primary has just been officially tabulated by the state board of canvassers. It shows that Wilson ran 692 votes ahead of the combined votes for Adair and Clore.

On the other hand, Fairbanks, at the head of the Republican ticket, was 32,865 votes behind the combined votes of the three Republican candidates for governor.

The strong showing made by President Wilson is one of the striking things observable in an analysis of the returns.—Evansville Courier.

WON ON POINTS.

Jess Willard, the big champion, held his grip on the heavyweight crown, winning on points in his clash Saturday night with Frank Moran in New York. Seven rounds were given to the cowboy champ.

MORE FREE
SETTINGS

White Wyandotte Enthusiasm
is Sweeping All Over
the County.

ACME MILLS EGG PLAN

Experimenting in Standardi-
zation is Being Watched
in Washington.

Secretary B. D. Hill has received a letter from Mr. A. S. Chapin, representative of the Department of Agriculture at Washington, in which he says the department is showing much interest in the poultry work being done in this county and compliments the White Wyandotte plan. They will watch the proposition as a very interesting feature in poultry work and look for its success. Letters are also being received from poultry clubs, poultry breeders and others who express great interest in the novel plan to standardize White Wyandottes in Christian county. So much interest is being shown in the distribution plan announced by the Acme Mills, co-operating with the Christian County Poultry Improvement Association and the Department of Agriculture, that it has been decided to increase the offer of free eggs from 50 settings to 100.

Letters are coming every day from people who are anxious to take advantage of the offer.

BANKS ASSESSED
AT 100 PER CENT.

Increased From 80 Statutory
Direction, Says State
Auditor Greene.

Frankfort, Ky., March 27.—Banks and trust companies will be assessed at 100 per cent. instead of 80 by the State Board of Valuation and Assessment this year.

Eight years ago the board began taking 80 per cent. of the total capital of the banks as the amount of their assessment, and it was continued under the last administration. State Auditor Greene said, however, that the board has only one statutory direction in regard to the assessment of property and that is to make its fair cash value.

Auditor Greene, Treasurer Goodpaster and Secretary of State Lewis are considering the method of assessing banks and other corporations. It is undecided whether they will take the value of the stock as returned by the banks or find the valuation from the capital and surplus and net earnings. The two systems, it is believed, will bring very little difference in results.

The total revenue from banks last year, according to the State Auditor's reports, was \$217,521.79, and a 20 per cent. increase would add \$43,504.23 from that source.

COLE WICKS

Former Hopkinsville Boy Died
Sunday in California.

Cole Wicks, youngest son of John W. Wicks, of this city, died in San Francisco Sunday, following an operation for appendicitis. He was about 30 years of age and formerly was in the office of the I. C. Railroad here. He went to Jersey City about ten years ago and later made a trip to China and finally located in San Francisco. He was unmarried and his father, two brothers and two sisters are his nearest relatives. Commissioner Will R. Wicks, of this city, is one of his brothers. He was an Elk and it is probable that his body will be brought here for interment.

BRITISH AIR
RAID ENDS IN
SEA BATTLE

English Fleet Escorting Aero-
plane Sinks Two Ger-
man Trawlers.

GERMANS CONTINUE SEIGE

Submarines Believed to Have
Sent Three British Ships
to Bottom.

A British air raid on Schleswig-Holstein and resultant battle between British warships and German armed trawlers, in which three seaplanes were brought down, two German armed trawlers were sunk and a British torpedo boat probably was in collision, gives diversity to the latest war operations.

The violent bombardment of Verdun continues, while to the north of the fortress and in the Woevre region intermittent cannonading is in progress. No infantry attacks have been launched by the Germans except to the southeast of Fort Douaumont, where Berlin reports a hand-to-hand encounter with the advantage on the side of the Germans.

The French in the Argonne forest are keeping up their bombardments of German positions. Considerable artillery activity by the French also has been shown in the Vosges. The explosion of a French mine in this region inflicted heavy losses on the French, according to Berlin. The German position was not impaired.

On the Russian front the Germans attempted an offensive in the region of Jacobstadt, but were repulsed, while the Russians captured a German trench in the region of Dvinsk. Heavy fighting is still going on in the lake region southeast of Dvinsk. Here, Berlin says, the Russian attacks broke down.

Storms in the mountain regions of the Austro-Italian lines have impeded operations, but bombardments are continuing on the Isonzo front.

In the coastal region of the Russo-Turkish war theater the Russians are making good progress against the Turks, and also further south in the Lake Van region have thrown their lines still further forward.

Three more British steamers have been sunk, presumably by German submarines. They are the Minneapolis, once plying between American ports and London; the St. Cecilia, on a voyage from Portland, Me., for London; and the Fenay Bridge, bound from Philadelphia for Hull. The crews of the St. Cecilia and Fenay Bridge were rescued. The fate of the crew of the Minneapolis is not known.

The exact number of casualties on board the cross channel steamer Sussex, which was blown up in the channel Friday afternoon, has not yet been determined. The French admiralty, basing its statement on affidavits of American passengers saved, says the Sussex was torpedoed without warning.

A conference of the entente allies of far-reaching importance began at Paris Monday. The premiers, various other high government officials, including the British foreign secretary and secretary for war, and the commanding generals of France, Great Britain and Italy, will take part in this conference, which will give the closest consideration to the military and political situation brought about by the war.

The Dutch ministry of marine says that an examination of a piece of bronze metal found in a lifeboat of the Dutch steamer Tubantia, recently sunk, induces the belief that it belonged to the air chamber of a torpedo.

Norway reports 100 per cent. increase in cost of living.